IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Tadayoshi Mitsuhashi

Application No. : 10/533,277

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For : METHODS FOR DETERMINING GENETIC RESISTANCE OF

PIGS TO DISEASES CAUSED BY RNA VIRUSES.

Examiner : Amanda Marie Shaw

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents:

In further response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2008, and the Amendment filed August 25, 2008, applicants submit herewith a sworn English translation of JP 2002-313076. Applicant maintains that the presently claimed subject matter is fully supported by the priority document JP 2002-313076, and thus, is entitled to a filing date of October 28, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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